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Re: a thought on Union Station

To my knowledge (and I double checked with Frank) we have never asked them to add a spacer car to mitigate passenger exposure. I think it would be something to add to the list of measures they could do. From the companies stand point, there is an added fuel cost because their load becomes larger - but I'm not sure if it would be a significant cost increase or not. The other point to consider is the fact that not all locomotives park in the same place - so while a commuter might not walk near the locomotive for their train - they may pass by a locomotive on the other side of the track. I think the companies would also have to park all the trains in the same spot (regardless of length) in order for this to be effective.

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Have we ever asked Metra to put an empty "spacer" car behind their locomotives while in the station, to move the point of emission further down the platforms and further away from people? If not, would that be a viable short-term action? If we have talked with them about it, what is their reason for not doing it. If this is a stupid idea, or wouldn't impact emissions, just let me know